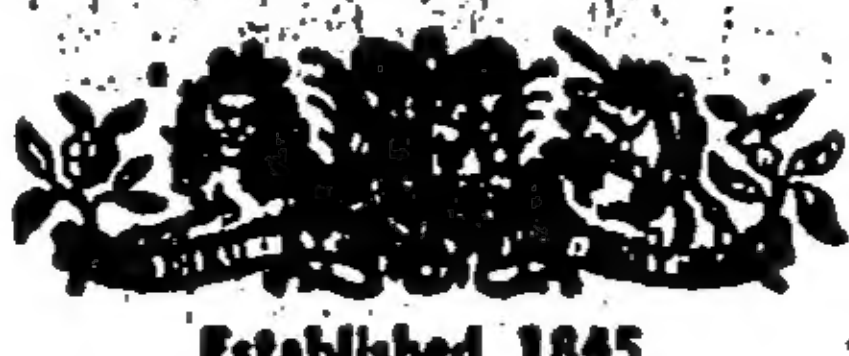


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Can It Grow?

IN today's China Mail there is published a brief summary of an intriguing 20-page report compiled by a new association in the Conservative Party called the Expanding Commonwealth Group. Among its members are Mr Patrick Maitland, Mr Julian Amery, Mr Anthony Fell, Viscount Hitchingbrooke and Mr James Lindsay, some better-known of a group of forceful backbenchers whose views command wide respect. These men probably include Britain's future leaders. Their outlook therefore demands careful attention. They propose revitalising the Commonwealth and they proceed from the assertion that unless it does grow, it will shrink and, in time, die. It is a bold statement which many will find difficult to accept and obviously this is an obstacle to be tackled and, if possible, cleared at the outset. Let it be said immediately the Commonwealth as it exists today is in danger of contracting. And it is not a satisfactory concept, despite all the eulogies which its protagonists have showered upon it.

FOR example, there are some who deplore that republics are allowed to remain members which are either neutral or pacifist in profession, subscribing to none of the old ideas of co-operation which grew up with the Empire, and whose membership is dictated purely by convenience. It is the Commonwealth's greatest weakness - yet, paradoxically, others say it is its greatest strength.

IF India, Pakistan and Ceylon were motivated by sincere conviction rather than pinch-penny parsimony encouraged by imperial trade arrangements, the critics argue the Commonwealth would be stronger for their loss, and that at least Britain and its true brothers would remain in indivisible union. And they are not all blatant old Blimps who opt for what would in effect be a Union Jack Association.

Is it possible to ignore this formidable stumbling block? Could self-preservation dictate it, threatened as individual Commonwealth members are with relegation to servility to the industrial colossus of America and Soviet Russia. And if it is possible where is the way to be found? The Expanding Commonwealth Group argue from the basis that the Commonwealth is a healthy, virile structure with latent strength in its apparently weakest links. They see in the Commonwealth the possibility of synthesising the extremes of the found in the policies of the two world power blocs and evolving a distinctive Commonwealth diplomacy.

NEW trading associations are, of course, an integral part of the plan - as indeed they are of the present Commonwealth. Links with Europe are foreshadowed and ultimately associate membership will be open to them and others who desire it. It is interesting to note that the growing frustration of sustaining an alliance with America is apparently impressing this need for greater Commonwealth links with Europe at present - and certainly stronger British ties.

It is not quite a remarkable coincidence that the panning Commonwealth Group should state their views on this subject at the present moment. Plainly they see the Commonwealth standing at the cross-roads and are more keenly aware of the dangers of shrinkage - a very real possibility, though perhaps not imminent. They indicate a new way but it needs careful thought and study. If their general aims are pursued, it will need boldness and faith - and 600 million people in the Commonwealth will also need to be told that the alternative to it will be fall under the domination of the giants.

NEW COMMONWEALTH PLAN

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL

London, Oct. 4.

A special committee of Conservative legislators said today that Britain should tighten economic ties with Europe and consider an eventual offer of "associate membership" in the Commonwealth to nations now outside the British sphere.

Fifteen Conservative Members of Parliament, who call themselves the "Expanding Commonwealth Group", presented a four-point plan designed to realign the balance of power in Europe. "Either the Commonwealth will expand and grow, or shrink and die," they warned in their report on a year's investigation of means of bringing new members into the Commonwealth.

The report, although unofficial, was the first concrete indication of growing official belief that Britain should reduce its dependence on US policy and markets and seek closer ties with its European neighbours.

The eventual outcome could be a "third force" strong enough to choose its own course in defending its freedom.

MOLLET INTERESTED

The Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, and the French Premier, M. Guy Mollet, are known to have discussed the idea at recent meetings. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Harold Macmillan, branched it at the Commonwealth Finance Ministers' meeting last weekend.

The Commonwealth Group in Parliament include a native of Toronto, Mr William Aitken; a former South African farmer, Mr James Lindsay; a former Indian Civil Servant, Mr John Biggs-Davison; a native of New Zealand, Mr Anthony Fell; and the chairman of the Conservative Party's Commonwealth Economics and Development sub-committee, Mr John Tilney.

At a press conference in the Commons, Mr Patrick Maitland stressed that the Commonwealth at present contained no unwilling members and that, at present, it did not offer membership to any foreign country.

"But at some stage the Commonwealth might wish to initiate some form of associate membership. This might be based on an agreement along the lines of the Council of Europe. But there is no reason why any foreign country with the same ideas of freedom and democracy should not be able to join," he said.

CRITICAL QUERIES

Backed by five members of the Committee, Mr Maitland stood up to a number of critical questions. He was asked what he thought of the comments made yesterday by the US Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, on "colonialism". "His declaration was of great frankness and interest. But if he is going to throw us into the dustbin and condemn the freest colonial empire the world has ever known, that is his business," said Mr Maitland.

He slapped down suggestions that the expanding Commonwealth plan was a scheme to reassert British supremacy or to institute a pre-eminently "white Commonwealth" by the admission of European countries.

RECONCILING RACES

"It aims to reconcile all races - brown or black, white or yellow. We have laid stress on the Indian Ocean Commonwealth, which is already being referred to as the Mediterranean of the future. It is here alone that we can bridge the gulf of race and colour."

Asked what countries he thought should be eligible for membership, Mr Maitland said that Burma, the Sudan and Norway came immediately to his mind.

He said the theme of an expanding Commonwealth would be debated at the Conservative Party conference opening at Llandudno on October 11 when all aspects of the theory would be explored.

"But the choice today is between expansion or dissolution. The Commonwealth cannot afford to drift. If the Commonwealth ceases to expand, mankind will be in danger of ultimate catastrophe," said Mr Maitland. - United Press.

[Turn to page 4 for a fuller description of the unique Commonwealth plan.]

Soldiers Hold Dissident Meeting

Nicosia, Oct. 3. Twenty-one British army reservists are under close arrest here as a result of an "incident" on the island on Monday night, an army spokesman revealed tonight.

They are all non-commissioned officers and men who arrived here recently with a unit drafted to Cyprus because of the Suez build-up.

An army spokesman declined to answer questions on the nature of the "incident" but commented: "There was a noisy, dissident meeting, a noisy outlet of feelings, perhaps."

According to an official statement, the men, from the Royal Army Service Corps, took part in a meeting on the roof of the hotel where they

were billeted at Platres in the Troodos mountains in central Cyprus. It was expected that a summary of evidence will be completed within three days. No charges have yet been made. It is understood that no Cypriots were involved in the disturbance. - Reuters.

ISRAELI TRAIN MACHINEGUNNED

Jerusalem, Oct. 3. An Israeli passenger train passing near the Jordan border was riddled with machinegun fire tonight. The engineer was wounded but none of the passengers was hit, Israeli officials said.

The train was travelling from the port of Haifa to Jerusalem when it was riddled by machinegun fire at 6 p.m. Israeli sources said both automatic weapons and rifles were used in the attack.

The firing continued along about one mile of track, Israeli sources said. It lasted about two minutes. The Israeli engineer, Y. Jacobson, was wounded in the leg and stomach, but took the train another 20 miles to Lydda junction. - United Press.

Building Collapse: Ten Men Killed

Jackson, Mich., Oct. 3.

An entire end of a four-storey steel and concrete building came crashing down around a building crew of 125 men today and it appeared that at least 10 men were killed.

Six bodies had been recovered since the early afternoon collapse of the building. But hundreds of rescue workers toiled into the night under searchlights to remove at least four other workmen believed still buried under the towering mass of steel girders, rods, huge steel and concrete pillars and tons of concrete.

Thirteen men were in Foot and Mercy Hospitals here with serious or critical injuries.

The count of four men still buried came from foremen of work crews in an announcement by Consumers Power Co., owner of the building.

But a sheet metal foreman, who refused to allow the use of his name, said he was certain more men than that were missing.

"We can only presume that these trapped men are dead," said Staff Police Detective Charles Southworth.

LEGS AMPUTATED

Nearly a score of workers were in hospital, several of them in critical condition. At least two workers had their legs amputated at the scene of the accident, four miles northwest of here, where the Herthy Mid-Continent Construction Co. of Chicago is erecting the office building for Consumers Power Co.

Workers were pouring concrete on the fourth floor of the L-shaped building when the structure gave way. Since the company did not know exactly how many workers were on the job, the authorities had trouble fixing the death toll. Early State police reports said that as many as 20 persons were feared killed.

City police reported that 10 persons were known dead and said their figure may prove correct when all debris is cleared from the basement. - United Press.

Big Hunt For Terrorists

Nicosia, Oct. 3.

A large-scale mountain operation - the biggest since July - was begun this morning in the North Cyprus range by 3,000 British troops, including paratroopers.

The troops are searching for EOKA hideouts and wanted men.

The operation began at dawn, when a cordon was clamped down on some 30 villages within the area of operation, which extended for some 30 square miles.

All communication by car or bicycle within the area has been banned for the duration of the operation which may last for more than a week. - France Press.

MARRIAGE BREAKS UP



Elizabeth Taylor To Seek Divorce

Hollywood, Oct. 3.

Elizabeth Taylor, the British-born film actress, announced today that she would seek a Nevada divorce from her husband, actor Michael Wilding.

The announcement, made through her studio Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, said she would establish residence in Lake Tahoe, Nevada, at about the end of October, after she had gone to New York for the premieres of two of her films, "Giant" and "Around the world in 80 days."

The stars were married in London in 1952 and have two sons, Michael Howard, aged three, and Christopher Edwards, one.

They announced in July they were to become legally separated and Mr Wilding went to Europe last month.

He returned here last month and in the past fortnight they have had several talks. Mr Wilding was known to be anxious for a reconciliation.

Miss Taylor would not comment personally on her plans today. "It's much too personal," she said. "I don't want to talk about it."

PREVIOUS MARRIAGE

Mr Wilding is due to return to England soon. Miss Taylor was previously married to Mr Nick Hilton, son of the American hotel magnate, Mr Conrad Hilton.

She has been seen recently with Michael Todd, producer of "Around the world in 80 days" a film version of the Jules Verne novel.

Mr Wilding has been spending most of his time in Hollywood visiting his sons and in the evenings has visited the British film couple, Stewart Granger and Jean Simmons.

The studio announcement today said relations between the Wildings were "amicable."

Grounds on which 24-year-old Miss Taylor would seek the divorce were not indicated, but it was expected that they would be incompatibility or mental cruelty. A Nevada divorce requires six weeks of residence in the state. - Reuters.

Shepilov's Hope

United Nations, Oct. 3. Mr Dimitri Shepilov, Soviet Foreign Minister, said today he hoped to meet the American Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, "very soon". He added that no appointment had yet been fixed.

Shepilov made this statement in reply to a newsmen's question when he came to the United Nations building today to visit the Secretary-General, Dag Hammarskjöld. - France Press.

The First Snow

London, Oct. 3. Britain's first snow fell today in the Cairngorm mountains in northern Scotland. - United Press.

AMERICAN TROOPS IN ICELAND Negotiations Arranged

Washington, Oct. 3.

The United States and Iceland have agreed to enter negotiations in Reykjavik in November on the presence of American troops at the North Atlantic Treaty base of Keflavik, it was officially announced today.

In a joint communique after a 55-minute meeting at the State Department, representatives of the two governments said they felt that it would be "mutually advantageous" to hold the negotiations.

Another Suez Canal Hold-up

Port Said, Oct. 3.

The Panamanian freighter Archon Michael was grounded for two hours today in the Suez Canal.

The freighter, undamaged, refloated herself.

There were substantial delays in both northbound and southbound convoys today, according to observers here.

The northbound convoy from Suez started after a six-hour delay while the southbound convoy from Port Said was delayed three hours.

"NOT UNUSUAL"

Shipping quarters here attributed the delays to engine trouble in the Scotsman on Monday, the grounding of the Hendrik yesterday and today's grounding of the Archon Michael. The mishaps to the three vessels each time set off a chain of delays to ships in transit through the Canal.

Some quarters said: "Such incidents are not unusual. They occurred very often under the former Canal company."

They added: "It is expected that Canal traffic will return to normal schedules within the next few days."

However, no ship was kept waiting outside the Canal despite the delays, shipping quarters stressed. - Reuters.

Glubb Honoured

Edinburgh, Oct. 3.

The Royal Scottish Geographical Society announced today it has awarded the Livingston medal to Sir John Glubb, former head of the Arab Legion, for outstanding services in the cause of progress and stability of the Arab world, 1921-56. - United Press.

Robens' Solution For Cyprus

Lytham, England, Oct. 3.

Mr Alfred Robens, the Labour Party's chief spokesman on foreign affairs, tonight suggested a solution to Britain's problem in the Mediterranean island of Cyprus.

Speaking at a local Labour party meeting, Mr Robens proposed a period of five years of self-government for Cyprus with defence and foreign affairs in the hands of Britain.

This would be followed by another five years during which the date for self-determination would be appointed.

After five years of self-government Mr Robens said, he doubted if the Cypriots would vote for union with Greece. - China Mail Special.

SEVERE 'QUAKE

Lahore, Pun., Oct. 3.

Kabu radio reported today that a severe earthquake hit several areas of Afghanistan and it was feared there were casualties. - United Press.

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NOEL-BAKER'S H-BOMB APPEAL

Opposition To Continuance Of More Tests

By FRASER WIGHTON

Blackpool, Oct. 3.

Two veteran Socialist leaders aroused the enthusiasm of the Labour Party's annual conference here today with impassioned speeches on the hydrogen bomb and defence.

Their speeches enlivened a foreign affairs debate which ranged over relations with Russia, hydrogen bomb tests, and the renunciation of Germany.

Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, ex-Cabinet Minister who some years ago was ousted by a left-winger from his place in the ruling Executive Committee, received a big ovation for an emotional appeal based on the horrors of Hiroshima.

And Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, former Defence Minister also knocked out of the ruling group, scored a triumph with a speech chimpurloping the United Nations.

Sands Running Out

Mr. Noel-Baker, supporting a resolution opposing the continuance of nuclear tests, said: "I am sick at heart at the arms race in which we are now involved, sick with fear of what would happen if the arms were ever used, and sick with apprehension that the sands are running out and that in armaments we may be reaching the point of no return."

Reminding the conference that Hiroshima recently held its eleven annual day of mourning, he said with a catch in his voice:

"In 1945, piston engine bombers with conventional bombs killed 80,000 citizens in a single night. Twenty thousand were children, running about in that hellish conflagration like flaming human torches. It is time that this sacrifice on the shrine of Moloch were ended, and the greatest of our tasks is to try."

Mr. Shinwell warned Socialists they must make up their minds

whether they stood by the principle of collective security by supporting the United Nations, or whether they accepted the idea of unilateral disarmament, "which in my judgment would be fatal," he said.

Incapable

On Suez, Mr. Shinwell scouted the idea that the Conservative Government had really meant to go to war over the Canal issue.

"It was a bluff and nothing more," he said. "I don't think they intended to — whether they wanted to or not — because they were incapable of doing so," he declared. — Reuter.

Italian Girl Stationmaster

Rome, Oct. 3.

Italy today laid claim to the youngest woman stationmaster in the world, 20-year-old Giovanna De Sanctis.

Giovanna took over her job at the little town of Padospoli, about 30 miles from Rome (population, 1,500), replacing her grandfather, who was stationmaster there for 18 years.

She has passed her railroad test with flying colours. About 20 trains go through Padospoli every day.

There was only one drawback to Giovanna's new job: Her fiancé says he will not marry a stationmaster, so she will have to give up her career when she marries. — France-Press.

SEATO EXERCISES PLANES

Aboard HMS Sydney.

Oct. 3
Air operations dominated the second day of the second phase of the Southeast Asia Treaty Organisation manoeuvres "Albatrosses".

Today, turbo-prop, Killer Gunboats, all weather day and night jet interceptors and Sea Venoms of the new Australian aircraft carrier Melbourne practised landing on the older carrier Sydney.

The aim of the present exercise was to enable modern aircraft to land on the deck of any carrier if their own were damaged or sunk by enemy action.

The operation proved that the older carriers, like the Sydney, could take the high speed Gunboats, but that the Venoms with a landing speed of 130 miles per hour would require special nylon nets, erected across the mid-deck and they might be slightly damaged in landing.

Six Lincoln bombers flew over the SEATO fleet but were intercepted by Venoms.

Tonight the convoy will be "attacked" by three enemy raiders represented by the British cruiser Newcastle and two Australian destroyers. — France-Press.

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Pictured on arrival at London Airport is 28-year-old Albert Maysles, of Boston, USA, wearing a Russian peasant jacket, a Caucasian shirt and a fur hat. Dr Maysles, a psychologist has just returned from a trip by motor scooter to Moscow and back. He travelled to Russia via Genoa and returned to London by way of Poland and Czechoslovakia. — Express Photo.

Atoms-For-Peace Conference Runs Into Two Snags

United Nations, Oct. 4.

Full-scale efforts were launched today in the 81-nation atoms-for-peace conference to soften control of nuclear by-products, opening the door to China and increasing the voice of smaller nations in the proposed world agency.

Forty-five nations have submitted 55 amendments to the draft statute of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). More amendments were still to come as the conference prepared to constitute itself as a committee of the whole this afternoon to begin a vigorous debate on the proposed changes to the formal worked out by the 12 "atomic powers".

Retain Possession

India led the moves to alter the control - and - inspection system to remove from Agency possession the fissionable by-products of peaceful atomic energy projects sponsored by the IAEA.

India insists that the country producing such potentially dangerous materials should retain possession, subject merely to Agency supervision.

The 12 sponsors of the draft statute maintain that these fissionable materials must be controlled by the Agency to prevent their use for non-peaceful purposes.

India offered two amendments, one backed by Ceylon, Egypt and Indonesia, compelling eight separate alterations, to cut off Agency control over fissionable by-products.

India also proposed extension of the Agency's inspection to the chemical separation plants for fissionable materials whenever the state concerned may request such action. The aim was to bring non-Agency atomic projects, particularly those of the big powers, under some form of international supervision.

The Soviet Union proposed eliminating all membership restrictions, which have kept China out of the Atoms-for-peace planning thus far.

Russia suggested that membership be open to any state which signs the statute within 90 days.

The present statute limits such signing to members of the UN or its specialized agencies.

Sole Power

Hungary proposed an amendment to strike out all references to UN qualifications for membership.

Egypt, Indonesia and Syria suggested that the general conference be given sole power over membership. That move would bypass the 23-member board of governors where a majority supports the present US-led move to keep out China. — United Press.

LIVE BOMB UNDER WORKSHOP

Bonn, Oct. 3.

Someone in a British Army workshop in West Germany heard a ticking noise coming from under the floor and found a 500-pound German bomb which was still alive after 11 years.

The Army called in the only British bomb disposal unit in continental Europe, No 6209, commanded by Flight Lieutenant J. E. Moore of 80, Dalkeith Road, Edinburgh and operated by the Second Tactical Air Force here.

The unit defused the bomb and added it to their total of 1,000 tons of bombs which they have made safe in the past three years.

SERVICES AVAILABLE

The disposal unit's services are available to any of the Atlantic Alliance forces in West Germany and to the German authorities. It runs training courses for Americans, Canadians, Dutch and Belgians. In the past year men serving with the unit have taken up a stick of 11 bombs alongside a Royal Air Force runway, cleared a minefield next to a NATO air base, and a wartime battlefield riddled with live mortar bombs.

The bomb men have built up a museum of death-dealing devices which is the only one of its kind in the RAF outside Britain, including items which are not on show in any other museum. — China Mail Special.

Algerian Land Reform

Paris, Oct. 3.

The French Cabinet today approved two decrees expropriating some 80,000 hectares (about 200,000 acres) of agricultural land owned by two big companies in Algeria, which will be re-distributed to Moslem farmers.

The decrees were submitted to the Cabinet by the French Minister Resident in Algiers, Robert Lacoste.

They were decided on under Lacoste's plan for land reform in the North Africa territory where many more thousands of acres are earmarked for expropriation and re-distribution to the Moslems.

The companies whose land is expropriated under the decrees approved today, are the French Compagnie Algérienne and the Swiss company Compagnie Genevoise De Sel.

All expropriated land is transferred to a "land bank" which is responsible for its re-distribution. — France-Press.

Suez Association Hold First Session

London, Oct. 3.

The Council of the 15-nation Suez Canal Users Association, now holding its first session, is expected to complete the work necessary to start SCUA functioning by the end of this week, conference sources said today.

The Council, inaugurated last Monday, is now receiving reports of its working committees on steps needed to enable the Association to undertake the planned protection of the interests of the principal Suez Canal users.

Parried Questions

British sources said today that this morning's plenary session of the Council made good progress in agreeing the report of its first (organisation) committee.

A further plenary session tomorrow has also to study the reports of the committees handling operational shipping questions and finance.

The Council has still to decide the composition of the Association's executive group and the site of its headquarters for which Rome is strongly tipped.

STEVENSON TALKING NONSENSE

Philadelphia, Oct. 3.
Vice-President Richard Nixon today criticised as "catastrophic nonsense" Mr. Adlai Stevenson's suggestion that hydrogen bomb tests be abandoned.

"This is one of the most extraordinary, appalling statements in the history of American political campaigning," Mr. Nixon said in a speech prepared for delivery here tonight.

The reference was to Mr. Stevenson's speech yesterday at Newark, New Jersey, in which the Democratic presidential nominee challenged President Eisenhower to take the lead in a move to ban hydrogen-bomb tests.

"Mr. Stevenson's memory is as short as his sense of understanding on this extremely grave issue of our survival in a world menaced by Communist imperialism," Mr. Nixon said.

"Supremacy in nuclear weapons and the more conventional military weapons, including trained manpower, are our major defences against the powerful Soviet military threat. Only this kind of a strength will continue to bolster our allies' morale and will to remain strong." — Reuter.

Convention Of Mayors' Statement

Tokyo, Oct. 3.

Foreign delegates attending the International Convention of Mayors tonight issued a joint statement which said the delegates were firmly convinced that the convention had contributed a great deal to the promotion of international relations.

More than 25 mayors or their representatives from 22 nations attended the convention organised by Mr. Shiro Yano, Governor of Metropolitan Tokyo.

The convention formed part of the 500th anniversary celebration commemorating the founding of Tokyo.

Earlier today the convention discussed municipal administration.

Delegates' speeches were simultaneously translated into English, French and Japanese.

Among the many subjects covered by the convention were slum clearance, traffic congestion and citizens' welfare. — Reuter.

PRECIOUS DROPS FOR PRECIOUS MOMENTS.
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Asked whether he considered Mr. Dulles' policy on the Suez question had been "wholly consistent", the spokesman said: "I cannot comment on that."

Cabinet Meeting

British sources said tonight that it was hoped to complete the preliminary work on the SCUA before the completion of the Security Council debate on Suez.

Sir Anthony Eden conferred today with Cabinet ministers on the latest developments on the Suez situation. — China Mail Special.

Crimea Talks Result Expected Shortly

AMERICAN AID WILL DEPEND ON OUTCOME

Belgrade, Oct. 3.

President Tito is expected to return tomorrow from his week-long secret talks in the Crimea with the First Secretary of the Soviet Communist Party, Mr. Nikita Khrushchev, according to usually reliable sources here today.

Assuming no last-minute changes of plan were made, it was believed he would arrive by air during the afternoon.

Nothing was known here whether he and Mr. Khrushchev had composed their ideological differences about whether Communist parties should be allowed to develop along their own road to socialism, independent of Moscow's influence.

The Belgrade press, contrary to its daily practice hitherto, today gave no news of President Tito's activities in the Soviet Union.

Hungarian Leader

The two men have had a fortnight in which to discuss the future development of communism—once week in which Mr. Khrushchev was in Yugoslavia and President Tito's visit to the Crimea.

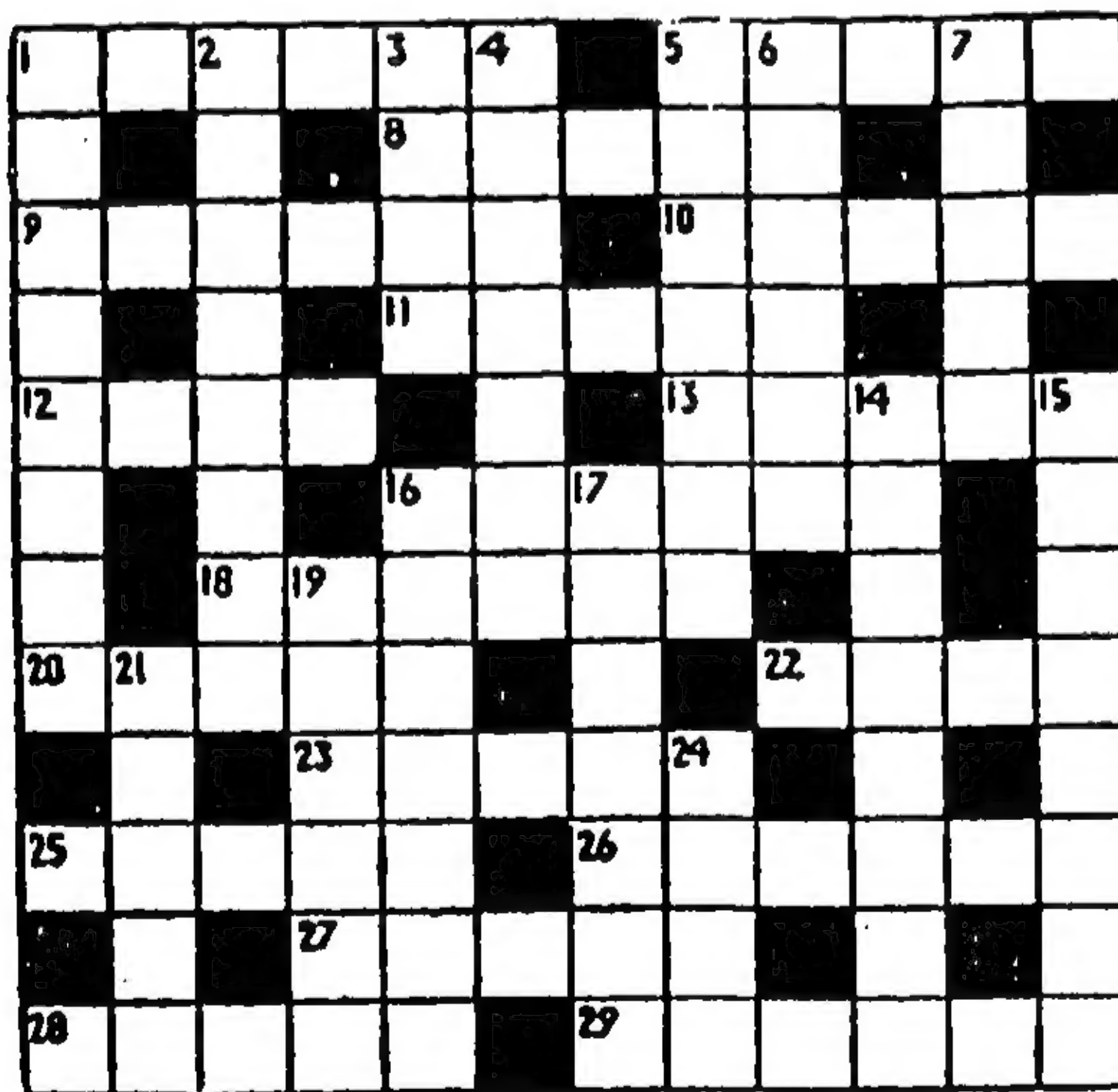
They were joined in their talks in the Crimea by Premier Nikolai Bulganin and other Soviet leaders, and by the First Secretary of the Hungarian Communist Party, Mr. Ernő Gerő.

Foreign observers speculated whether the Central Committee of the Yugoslav Com-

Conservatives Oppose Trip To Russia

Tokyo, Oct. 3. Usually reliable sources said more than 80 members of the Japanese conservative Party tonight adopted resolutions opposing Japanese Prime Minister Ichiro Hayama's trip to Moscow to reopen the suspended Japan-Soviet Union peace treaty negotiations, and non-confidence against the appointment of Agriculture and Fisheries Minister Mr. Ichiro Kono, as a Japanese plenipotentiary delegate to the talks.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS
1 Extend (6).
5 Repose (5).
8 Insurgent (5).
9 Legal (6).
10 Material (5).
11 Deserve (5).
12 Heal (4).
13 Writing-tables (5).
16 Withdraw from (6).
18 Deduce (6).
19 American tops (5).
22 Bulk (4).
23 Fit (5).
24 Selected (5).
26 Lubricating (7).
27 Pigment (6).
28 Besow (6).
29 Shows contempt (6).

DOWN
1 Picked (5).
2 Clave for merit (8).
3 Kind of lily (4).
4 Expunged (7).
5 Dwells (7).
6 Delighted (6).
7 Ruise (5).
14 Narcotic (8).
15 Savoury food (8).
16 Imagine to be guilty (7).
17 Guardians of public morals (7).
18 Period of instruction (6).
21 Show in (5).
24 Demagogue (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3 Stem, 7 Rider, 8 Omit, 9 Till, 10 Residue, 12 Emit, 15 Minds, 18 Mere, 19 Omit, 21 Doing, 22 Abot, 23 Esol, 26 Esol, 29 Stinger, 30 Anti, 31 Spur, 32 Revel, 33 Torso, Down: 1 Miner, 2 Regiment, 4 Trial, 5 Male, 6 Kiwi, 9 Tuna, 11 Dirge, 13 Meat, 14 Than, 16 Solder, 17 Edge, 18 Mile, 20 Roasted, 22 Anti, 24 Acid, 25 Legend, 27 Ripe, 28 Tort.

Dislike Of Maths

CHILDREN REFLECT PARENTS

San Francisco, Oct. 3. University of California specialists have decided that children in the United States who dislike mathematics merely reflect the attitude of their parents.

The scientists, Mr. Thomas Poffenberger, a child development specialist and Mr. Donald Norton, a mathematician, said that they based their conclusion on a survey of 400 students beginning a mathematics course at the University's College of Agriculture.

"Teachers cannot be entirely to blame for the current dislike of mathematics among grade school and high school students," Mr. Poffenberger said. "Frequently a student's attitude was set against the subject before he ever entered the classroom."

CHANGE ATTITUDES

The necessity of instilling in youth a liking for mathematics was particularly important at this time because of the national shortage of engineering, chemistry, physics, and teaching specialists, he said.

"If we are going to fill the shortage in these fields," he added, "we shall have to change the attitudes of many of the students towards mathematics."

"Parents can help. Even if they don't like the subject, they should not colour the child's attitude or discourage him by making it sound impossibly difficult."

With a little encouragement on the parent's part, and a little help when the child gets stuck on a homework problem, many students would no doubt get better grades.

"It would make the teachers' job a little easier, as well as help fill the shortage in vital jobs for tomorrow,"—China Mail Special.

Norwegians' Cool Experiment

Oslo, Oct. 3.

Five young Norwegians today set out into the icy glacier regions of the Norwegian mountains dressed only in shorts and summer shirts, to test the human mechanism's resistance to cold.

The experiment is set to last several weeks, during which the five youths will wander about in the 5,000 feet high glaciers where the temperature is well below zero centigrade.

They will lead a primitive life, hunting reindeer and sleeping under trees in the snow.

SYSTEMATIC

Professor P. F. Scholander of Oslo University who is organizing the experiment, said tonight: "We do not yet know the exact changes that take place in the human organism when it is faced with cold over a period of time. We hope to discover through systematic training up to what degree of cold a human body can maintain the temperature of 37 degrees centigrade."

He said the five youths would meet the Norwegian winter, which has already set in, dressed in the kind of clothing they would be wearing on the French Riviera in July.—France-Press.

OLIVER HARDY IMPROVES

Burbank, Oct. 3. A further slight improvement was reported in the condition of comedian Oliver Hardy, who is in hospital after suffering a stroke on September 14.

Mr. Hardy, 64, a member of the Laurel and Hardy film team, continues to be listed as fair on the hospital records.—China Mail Special.

SCAR MARS STRIP-TEASER: PARIS COURT ACTION

A COMMITTEE of three court-appointed experts today were contemplating the arrest of Sonia Silver, a Paris strip-teaser.

The case was a modern-day variation on that of Phryne, the fourth century BC Greek courtesan, who won a court action by doing a strip for the judges.

Sonia, represented by top Paris lawyer, René Floriot, was suing a Paris surgeon because



President Soekarno of Indonesia waves to the crowd as he leaves the Ruzyně Airport in Prague, accompanied by the President of the Czechoslovakian Republic, Antonín Zápotocký, who greeted him on his arrival.—Express Photo.

Bolshoi Ballet Acclaimed In London

London, Oct. 3.

A distinguished elegant audience tonight gave the Russian Bolshoi Theatre ballet a tremendous ovation on a night in which two weeks of Anglo-Soviet bickering were forgiven and forgotten.

The company played "Romeo and Juliet" at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, a grand show not seen for many years in Britain.

Galina Ulanova, the Prima Ballerina, enthralled the audience with a performance which brought everyone to their feet at the first interval.

Eden Present

The almost legendary Soviet star took two curtain calls from audience which included Sir Anthony Eden, the British Prime Minister, and Lady Eden, ambassadors and leaders of British social and cultural life.

It was the first appearance of a Bolshoi company outside Russia in nearly 200 years and the glittering audience and the crowd outside testified to the fact that this was a unique occasion in the history of ballet in Britain.

When the rich red velvet curtain of the Royal Opera House

Franco-Germany Solidarity Forecast

Paris, Oct. 3.

M. Guy Mollet, the French Prime Minister, and Dr Konrad Adenauer, West German Chancellor, agreed in letters published here today that they had laid good foundations for Franco-German co-operation in their talks in Bonn last Saturday.

M. Mollet's letter said: "Your elevation of thought and your high conception of the superior interest of our two countries and of Europe enabled us to achieve results which assure solid foundations for Franco-German interest and solidarity."

Dr Adenauer said in his reply: "I want to express to you again my firm conviction that on the basis of a Franco-German understanding and of a community of ideas we shall be able in the near future to draw near to the common goal which we pursue, that of the creation of a prosperous Europe."—Reuter.

Roar Of Applause

Ulanova, dancing Juliet, took two curtain calls with Yuri Zhdanov who danced Romeo and then another curtain alone, smiling timidly to the tremendous roar of applause and cheering from the audience.

Among the scenes which specially thrilled the audience were the fight between the Montagues and the Capulets and the street scene of Verona and the ball scene in the Capulet's house.

The fluidity of the production and the high dramatic quality of the dancing and miming gave a visual poetry new to a British audience.

This was particularly noticeable in the pas de deux danced by Ulanova and Zhdanov at the end of the first act.

Ulanova, shed many of her 47 years and seemed like a leaf blown on the wind in some of her incredible plouettes.

Rapid Changes

In the first act alone there was half a dozen scene changes, rapidly effected and between them dancers mimed in front of a draped curtain.

The difficulties of a smaller stage marred only slightly the grandeur of the performance. There were small delays when some of the dancers could not make the quick entrances they can on the huge Bolshoi stage in Moscow.—Reuter.

Plane Crashes

Three crewmen were killed and seven injured when a US Air Force Globemaster transport aircraft crashed and caught fire today at Charleston air base.

Shortly before coming in to land, the pilot of the plane radioed to the base that one engine had failed. Shortly after, the aircraft struck a tree and burst into flames.—France-Press.

SOEKARNO IN PRAGUE

MISS HERBISON ELECTED TO LABOUR CHAIR

Blackpool, Oct. 3.

Miss Margaret Herbison, 49-year-old Member of Parliament was tonight elected Chairman of the Labour Party for the coming year, with Mr Tom Driberg, 61-year-old author, journalist and broadcaster as Vice-Chairman.

The election took place at the first meeting of the newly-formed National Executive of the party.

At this, Mr Edwin Gooch, the Chairman welcomed the new members of the executive elected yesterday—Mr Ancurin Bevan, who comes back to the executive as Treasurer, and the two new trade union representatives, Mr W. Padley and Mr H. R. Nicholas.

Seniority

Tonight's elections mean that Mr Driberg becomes chairman of the party in 1957-58. After that the chairmanship may rest between Mr Bevan and Mrs Barbara Castle.

Seniority of service on the executive is usually the deciding factor, and Mrs Castle would have the advantage that her membership has been unbroken. Miss Herbison was born in a miners' cottage, became a school-teacher, and since 1945 has been on MP.

She was first elected to the National Executive in 1948, and subsequently became joint Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Scotland during part of the period of the Labour Government.

Her diminutive but sturdy figure is a well-known in Labour Party and parliamentary circles.

Scots Accent

Miss Herbison has an attractive, lilting Lowland Scots accent which has delivered Labour's message to millions in general election broadcasts. She won her way from elementary schools to Glasgow University to become a teacher of English and history.—Reuter.



MISS HERBISON

36 Political Arrests In Kashmir

New Delhi, Oct. 3.

Kashmiri Vice-Interior Minister, disclosed today that 36 persons belonging to various political parties were arrested during July and August in Kashmir.

Minister Dhar made his disclosure in reply to a question in the Kashmir Assembly.

Fifteen of those belonged to the "Plebiscite front", which demands a plebiscite to decide the future of Kashmir, while 14 other members of the "National Conference" were arrested.

Six others arrested were members of the "Praha Parishad", right-wing party, and one belonged to the untouchables party.

Thirty-one persons were prosecuted in court, while five were later released on bail.—France-Press.

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Singapore-China Deal Opens A New Door

Paris, Oct. 3.

Mr David Marshall, former Chief Minister of Singapore, said today in Peking that the new \$5,000,000 trade agreement signed today between China and Singapore and the Federation of Malaya "opened a new door."

"This is the beginning of a truly important step for the expansion of trade between Singapore and China," said Marshall, quoted by the New China News Agency.

"By our mutual efforts, we shall not only normalise our trade relations, but also promote friendly feelings and greater understanding between our peoples."

Marshall said he was happy at the results attained and certain that trade would grow between Singapore and China.—France-Press.

Highly Satisfied

Both Ko Teck Kin and Lee Yan Lian, who signed for Singapore and Malaya respectively, said that all their members were highly satisfied with the results of the trade talks.

Ko Teck Kin, leader of the Singapore mission, said the visit had laid a firm basis for direct trade between China and Singapore, the news agency added.

The leader of the Malayan mission, Lee Yan Lian, said he was very moved at the result of their mission.

"We are convinced," he added, "that through the development of trade between both sides, friendship and understanding between the people of China and Malaya will be increased."

Li Chu Chen, Vice-Chairman of the China Committee for the Promotion of International Trade, said the visits of the trade missions had laid down solid foundations on which economic and friendly relations could be built up.

Expressed Hope

He added: "It will help us if the artificial barriers are pulled down and economic ties on the basis of equality and mutual benefit are built up."

He expressed the hope that more visitors would come from Singapore and Malaya to China; and that China could send visitors to Malaya and Singapore.

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THE Eisenhower dollar is shrinking. At the worst possible time for the President, the good, solid U.S. currency is showing softness.

The dollar is buying a little less every week and almost every day.

I expect to see and hear Adlai Stevenson hitting Mr. Eisenhower where he is most vulnerable—in the breadbasket and the pocketbook.

(The price of a loaf of bread at a chain store here is 18.7d. and you can pay as much as 2s. for a high-grade loaf at a delicatessen.)

The housewives are beginning to murmur in revolt. Despite the fervour of the welcome the President received during his tour of Iowa there was a little heckling and some faint shouts of "What about the cost of living, Mr. President?"

I was jolted

It is hardly Ike's fault. He has had extraordinary bad luck.

The purchasing power of the dollar has been melting gradually all year, but it was not until the past few weeks that the ache began to be felt.

One of the main campaign planks of Eisenhower's party, the Republicans has been: "We have kept the cost of living down."

DON IDDON'S DIARY

And now there is this sunning around on almost every price tag.

I am not a housewife, but I have been a little jolted myself. When I was parking my car in mid-town this morning the attendant at the parking lot said: "I'm going to cost you \$40 (£14 5s. 8d.) next month to leave your car here parked."

The month is 22 working days and previously I've been charged £8 18s. 6d.

This week also the cost of having my hair cut has jumped to 9d. to 14s. and I do not go to the big glossy establishments in the hotels, but to a little shop on Lexington Avenue.

A chicken sandwich from S. Straus's restaurant across 51st Street near the office now costs me 5s. 8d.—5d. more than last week.

Crucial moment

EVERYONE has been saying for weeks and months that the only real issue of the election is the health or lack of it of the President.

I am not so sure that the cost of living is not becoming a bigger issue.

The President by the amazing show of vigor and energy he has been putting on before huge crowds from breakfast to supper, has largely eliminated the health question.

Mr. Stevenson and his running mate, Senator Estes Kefauver, are preparing major speeches on the cost-of-living issue and the decline in the dollar.

And the press is not neglecting the dwindling dollar. It would not be too bad if the line had not been fairly well held for two or three years by the Eisenhower Administration. Now, at the crucial moment, there is a hole in the dike and

the dollars are disappearing through it.

Statistics can be boring, but not these prices:

Batter 5s. 4½d. a lb., eggs 5s. 10d. a dozen, sugar 3s. 6d. for 5lb., coffee 7s. and upwards a lb., roast beef 7s. 7d. a lb., chicken 3s. 6d. a lb., tea 5s. 9d. a lb., beef steaks 10s. 6d. a lb., leg of lamb 5s. 4d. a lb., ham 4s. 6d. a lb., bacon 4s. 2d. a lb., pork chops 5s. 4d. a lb.

Bad news

Two British housewives these prices may not be "out of the way," but to Mrs. America they mean that Mr. Rising Price has definitely moved in, and I quote them as a matter of interest.

The economists and financial experts for once are in general agreement, and what they say is frightening: "Prices are due to rise as far as you can see."

Except on the stock market.

There prices are down for the 11th straight week. The sensitive barometer of the nation's economy spells bad news.

And the reason? Brokers say: "The market is timid because investors are surprised at the strength of the Democrats, and it is now realised that it will be no walkover for Eisenhower."

The President will probably make a television bedside chat on the cost of living soon. His policy has been "Give 'em hell," as distinct from ex-President Truman's "Give 'em hell" campaign in the past.

Rock 'n Roll

THE Rock 'n Roll delirium gets worse here. I am surprised at the abusive letters I have received from teenagers

in Britain because I cabled a short article on Rock 'n Roll and quoted American doctors and psychiatrists.

A typical letter: "I thought it (the article) was utterly stupid and such rot that I am surprised at you for writing it. Rock 'n Roll has wonderful rhythm and all its artists are wonderful too."

"May I suggest that in future you leave things like Rock 'n Roll alone as you are far too old to understand it."

Too old at 44.

In this country there is a dangerous alliance between the Rock 'n Roll extremists and the teenage terror gangs.

Last week-end Daniel Baretti, 16, was shot and killed by an off-duty police lieutenant after a gang fight. The policeman fired two warning shots in the air and his third shot hit Baretti in the back of the head and killed the boy.

Baretti and his mob were enthusiastic Rock 'n Rollers.

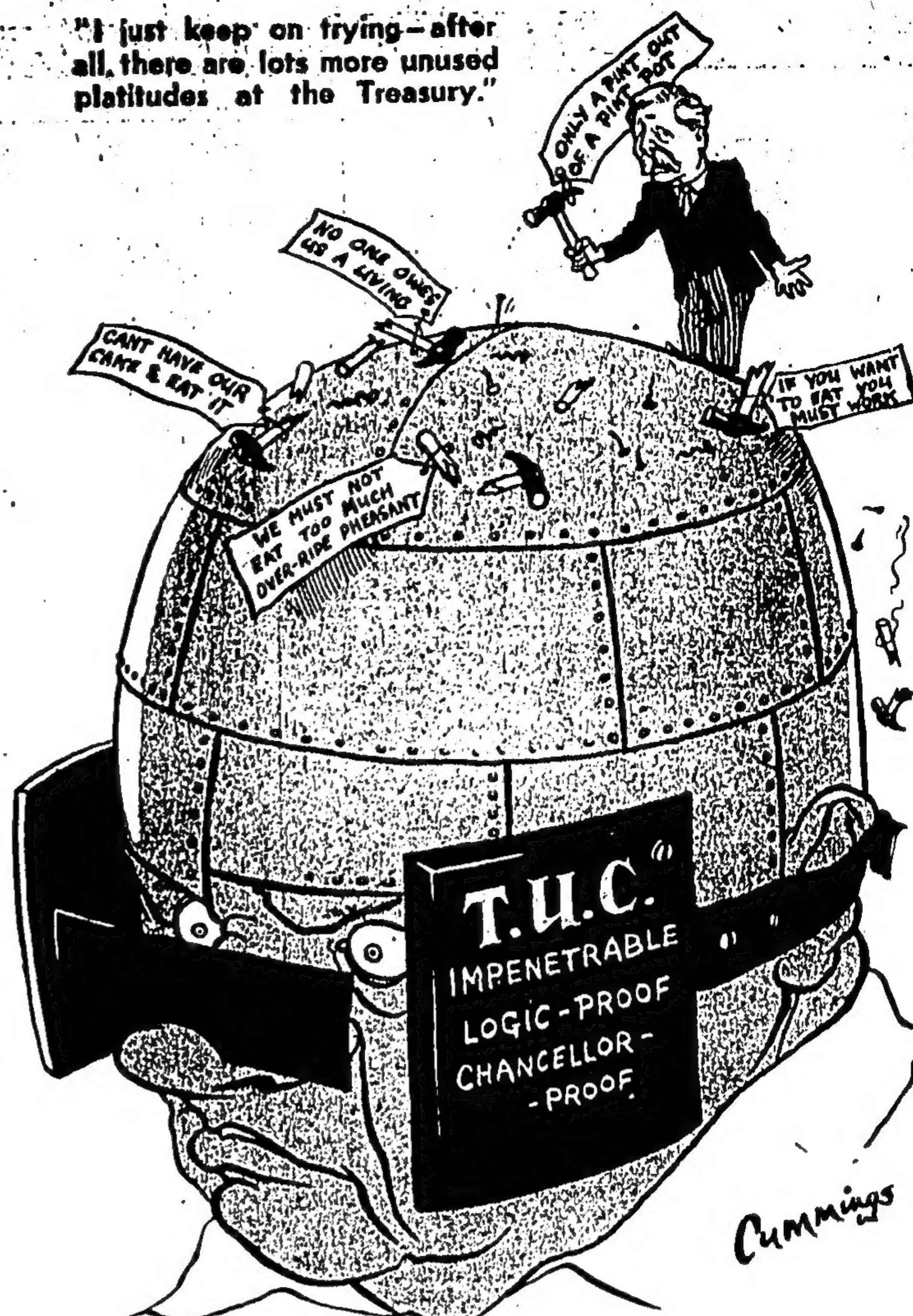
Juvenile crime

It is unfortunate that the police should use guns on teenagers, and it will probably not get to that in Britain.

In New York City alone there are 65 juvenile gangs who are organised for crime. Almost half of those arrested throughout the country last year for major crimes—robbery, rape, grand larceny, and extortion—were under 18 years of age.

Rock 'n Roll to the teenage terrorist is battle-music. It is also their drink and dope.

"I just keep on trying—after all, there are lots more unused platitudes at the Treasury."



Mr SCHWARZ HITS THE MUSICAL JACKPOT

By Arthur Jacobs

THE British arrived... and found 12,000 lying dead and unburied, and 40,000 half-dead prisoners.

It was April 1945. Belsen, the Nazi horror-camp, was at last liberated. But prisoner Rudolf Schwarz did not know it, for he was unconscious. When he awoke, in Red Cross care, he weighed six stone.

Last week, a grey-haired, handsome 10-stone Rudolf Schwarz, faced the applause of his regular audience after conducting the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra. Next September he is to succeed Sir Malcolm Sargent as conductor of the BBC Symphony Orchestra, a top British musical post, with a salary which is undisclosed but is said to exceed £5,000 a year.

LEARNING ENGLISH

No backstage influence brought Schwarz to Britain. In Sweden, where UNRRA had brought him to recuperate from Belsen, he was learning English in the hope of being able to go to America. What better way of learning English than by reading English newspapers? In one of them he saw an advertisement. So an application for the post of conductor of the Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra arrived from Rudolf Schwarz, along with applications from 72 others.

"I never believed I would even be considered," he recalls now. "I hadn't even got a passport. I was Austrian, and at that time there was no Austrian consulate in London. I was a stateless person."

SECOND SNAG

That was only the first obstacle. After conducting two trial concerts Mr Schwarz got the job. At the news that an Austrian—some reports mis-called him a German—was to conduct a British orchestra, the row broke.

The Musicians' Union opposed the granting of a labour permit. An MP protested. In the Commons at the appointment, and the then Director of the Royal College of Music reinforced him.

COMPLIMENT

Only one argument backed Bournemouth Corporation in sticking to its decision: here was the best man for the job. That was 10 years ago.

Within a year musical circles were buzzing over Schwarz's achievement. This Vienna-born musician had not only thoroughly reorganised the orchestra and raised it to exciting standards but was showing English conductors in his enthusiasm for British music. And his public was with him.

TENSION

Sir Thomas Beecham took advantage of it. An all-British programme, scheduled by Beecham at London's Albert Hall, had to be cancelled for lack of bookings. Bournemouth invited him to perform the same programme with Schwarz's orchestra. Result—a full house, 6,000 applications for tickets turned away, and a public compliment from Sir Thomas for Mr Schwarz.

From Bournemouth Schwarz was snatched away to double the salary, by Birmingham. But before he changed over, the Shostakovich storm blew up. Schwarz, it was reported, had named this Soviet composer's works because they made pagoda for the audience. No wonder that Schwarz, the one-time victim of political intolerance, was now denounced for political intolerance himself.

The storm passed quickly, and Schwarz later denied the exact words attributed to him. But the episode was significant in pointing the contrast between the BBC's outgoing, diplomatic Sir Malcolm Sargent and the incoming Schwarz.

A Warning

THE Group's statement ends with the warning: "If the Commonwealth ceases to expand then mankind will be in danger of the ultimate catastrophe."

Having made plain their ideas in this publication, the Expanding Commonwealth Group is expected to press home its views in Parliament, in the country as a whole, and wherever possible with influential visitors from interested Commonwealth countries.

The Group is headed by Mr Patrick Maitland, M.P. for the Letchworth Division of Hertfordshire.

15 TORY MPs LAUNCH A NEW PLAN FOR A COMMONWEALTH AS POWERFUL AS RUSSIA AND AMERICA

By Yorke Henderson

WITH the private sympathy of their Government and Party, a group of 15 British Conservative MPs is launching a campaign to revitalise the Commonwealth and make it a power equal to the USA and Russia.

Under the banner of the "Expanding Commonwealth Group of Conservative and Unionist Members of Parliament," they have broadly outlined their ideas in a statement just published.

Although the Group is made up of back-benchers, it is significant that the publication of their statement is being handled by the Conservative Political Centre and they are known to have the support of the Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, and the Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, Lord Home.

The Group starts from the thesis that "either the Commonwealth will expand and grow or shrink and die. No human institution stands still."

Five Points

FROM this point they preface their statement with a five-point declaration of their philosophy:

"1. The Commonwealth partnership of Kingdoms and Republics is better suited to our dangerous and contracted world than any supra-national or federal system. It has only to develop its resources to match the power of the United States of America or the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

"2. Only a strong Commonwealth could safeguard its members' integrity and ensure a balance of power.

"3. An expanding Commonwealth could not only claim the emergent status and the loyalty of its fortress territories but could also rally other countries of like mind.

"4. An expanding Commonwealth could associate British European neighbours in the development of Commonwealth, French Union and other territories in Africa and Asia, and reconcile the races. This association could be advanced in

many ways, such as closer trade and payments arrangements between the members of the Sterling area and of OEEC, and through the Colombo Plan. With this in mind, members of our Group salute the efforts of Continental Europeans to achieve closer economic unity.

"5. An expanding Commonwealth could generate capital to develop home and overseas resources, promote trade, achieve a sound balance of payments and furnish the means of defensive and diplomatic power."

Linked Economy

WHAT does the Group propose?

In essence, a preferential trading system linked to the European economy; increased migration to overseas Commonwealth countries, with the recent on the British character of the migrants; and closer political association between the Commonwealth and certain European countries.

Of the first point the Group's statement declares: "It is in the interests both of Europe and the Commonwealth to reconcile the Continental need for closer economic unity with the preferential system, which is and must be the basis of an expanding Commonwealth economy."

It has been suggested that there should be an exchange of secondary preferences between European and Commonwealth nations. This would enable the Commonwealth and the French Union to remain intact while discriminating in each other's favour against outsiders."

Advantages

THE fact that this would call in question the Most Favoured Nation principle of GATT is regarded thus by the Group: "This principle (the Most Favoured Nation) pertains, however, less to present realities than to the 'One World' philosophy which took possession of American foreign policy in the days of Roosevelt."

Although the Group agrees that the economies of Britain and many European countries are

competing, not complementary, it argues that "there is, however, great advantage to be gained by Britain and the Commonwealth from economic co-operation with continental European countries, some of which are themselves responsible for overseas territories."

And it cites this instance: "The comprehensive development of Africa will require economic co-operation between the United Kingdom, the Union of South Africa, the Central African Federation, France, Belgium, Spain and Portugal as well as the emergent African states."

Of Commonwealth migration the Group holds that "the effect of non-British immigration into relatively empty countries like Canada and Australia is to dilute the national character and even threaten their internal cohesion. The Commonwealth is conceived as a society of nations and not a cosmopolitan melting pot."

At the same time the Group faces up to the fact that Britons have constituted only 30 percent of migrants to the Commonwealth overseas since 1945.

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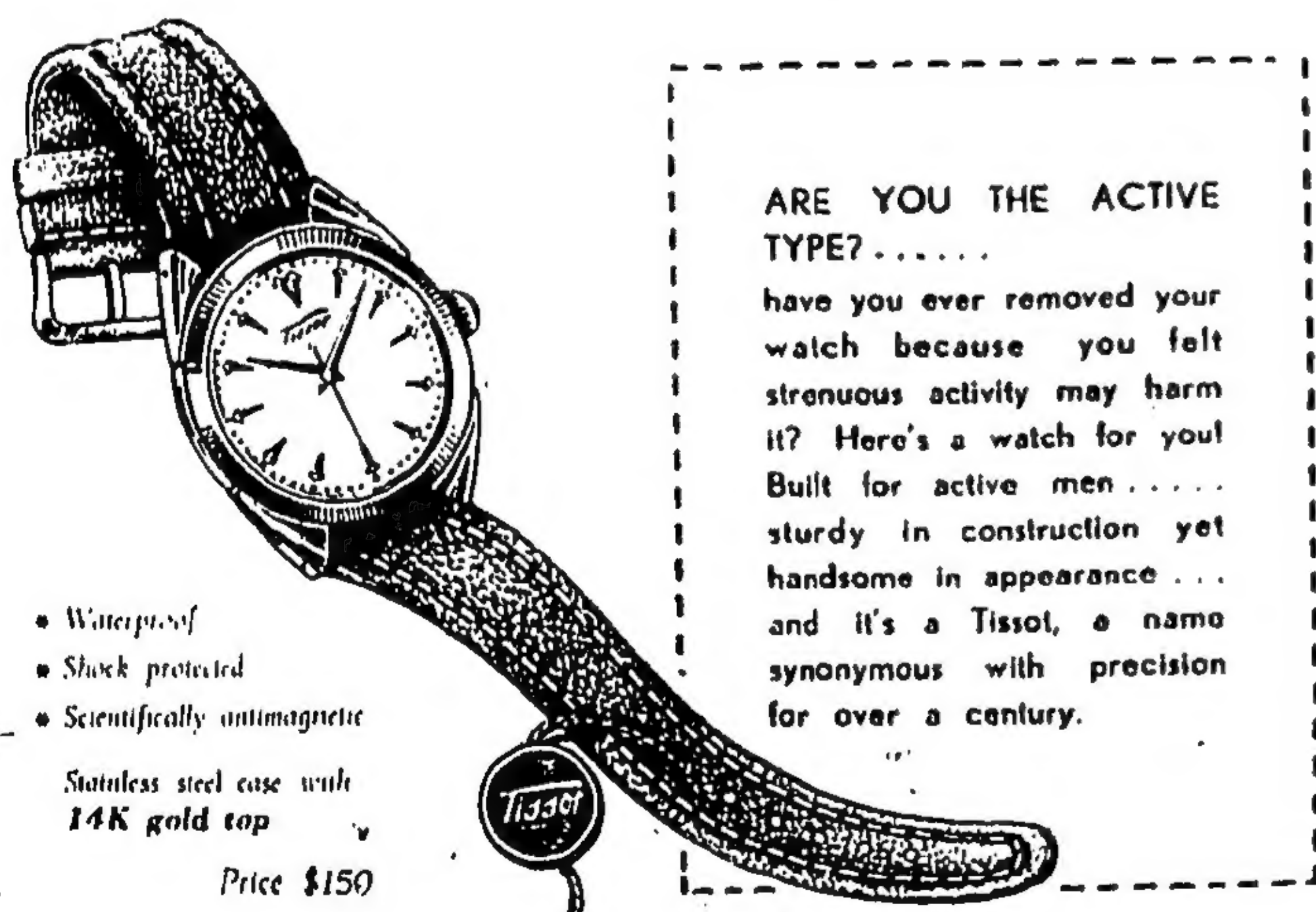
THESE two points are thus recommended by the Group: "There is room for migration from continental Europe to the Commonwealth. Frenchmen and Dutchmen were, after all, the pioneers in Canada and at the Cape. In general, however, there is much to be said to encourage those who have been anglicised to travel on to the Commonwealth, to encourage the movement of property as well as of persons into the United Kingdom. This reinforces the care for relating the Commonwealth with the European economic area, and for the harnessing not merely of British but of other European capital to the development of overseas territories."

To make such an inflow effective it would be necessary to encourage the movement of property as well as of persons into the United Kingdom. This reinforces the care for relating the Commonwealth with the European economic area, and for the harnessing not merely of British but of other European capital to the development of overseas territories."

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Back Street Soccer Boys Have Lesson For The Stars

Attention, you hired athletes of football. Forget your determination to wring every penny out of the game you once loved. Forget your transfer tantrums. Read on and have the decency to be ashamed, you big spoiled sons of Soccer.

Read this story of a bunch of kids from a dingy street in Sheffield. A street of faded houses. A street called Allen Street.

Just around the corner was a potholed stretch of wasteland, an ugly, barren desert of gravel, crumbling bricks, and the rusted skeleton of an old tram.

But to the boys of Allen Street it was their football ground where they took a large rubber ball and played on until even the gutting street lamps

came up trying to floodlight their pitch. From this unpromising start the boys of Allen Street became a team, a team in a carnival

variety of shirts when they left the "pitch" for the first challenge match in a local park. They won. And to be in a winning team when you are a kid puts a Christmas tree glow in your heart. You boast. You plan. So did the kids around Allen Street.

But the big plans don't look quite so bold and solid when you run into hard, cold facts. There were such things as league entrance fees. The bold prospects were bleak and unfriendly to the "pitch" at night.

DREAMS SHATTERED

But these Allen Street kids did not let the cinema trips they received the violently coloured, those sacrificial shillings raised the money they needed to satisfy the League officials. "Gosh!" they thrilled. "We're in a real league."

But then, boys always being boys, they forgot to attend the League meeting when the fixture list was being compiled. They were out. Their dreams as cruelly as only the heady dreams of young boys can be shattered. Somehow they stuck together. They were reluctantly

flushed with friendly games. There was always another season, they consoled each other. The new season eventually arrived and how haggard are the days of expectation when the heart is in

the game. A church club solved the tremendous problem of raising the £15 required to rent a ground. They bought their own kit. They paid a shilling a week for playing and expenses. If you had the real experience of failing to make the team

THE DAY THEY DREW

In 11 games they had 51 goals scored against them. They scored 17. One fine, unforgettable day they drew 4-4.

They had not been licked. Oh, the sweet singing, the fine expansion of chests. The bright promise of victory glowed

in their eyes. Maybe the boys of Allen Street, Sheffield, did not realise they had already won their finest battle. They had refused to quit.

REMEMBER that you men who were once boys who put down your coats on wasteland and chalked goals on the end-walls of houses.

REMEMBER that you too once took home a ragged shirt and bore your cuts and grazes proudly.

REMEMBER that you once put everything into football. Why not try it again as a change from trying to take everything out of the game?

(After reading "Our Street Team," the FA Books for Boys, Messrs. William Heinemann, 12s. 6d.)

FIRST DEFEAT

West Ham United have just lost their first game for six years. No, not in Soccer, but in cricket. They have a fine cricket eleven with Noel Cantwell the star. Not only is he an Irish international full back but has also represented his country in cricket.

GOALKEEPER SWITCH

Lower Gornal, the Worcestershire Combination Club, ran into trouble at the start of the season. Nothing would go right, and they lost their first three games. In desperation they switched their team round, and this included playing goalkeeper Harry Wright at centre-forward. Lower Gornal beat Quarry Bank by 3-2, and Wright did the "hat trick".

SOME START

During the summer a team named Kingsley FC was formed, and in their first League match ever in the King's Norton Combination they beat Sturges FC by 1-0.

GOALS GALORE

In 19 matches in the opening week of the Hull (Church League) many as 140 goals were scored. There was one 14-0, one 13-0 and three others in double figures.

Cricket's Top Man? It's That Wonder BOY May For Me

Who is the greatest cricketer in the world today? Some will say the soon-to-retire Keith Miller because, as an all-rounder, he has taken the most wickets and scored the most runs in Tests. Yet Australia had to fall back on Ian Johnson as captain. They could not rely on Miller, the leader.

Then there is the claim of Denis Compton. His is an epic story of brilliance and guts. But he muffed his chance of leadership by failing as vice-captain to Freddie Brown in Australia in 1950-51.

The famous W. T. W. Weekes, Worrell, and Walcott are all major batsmen, but none have the ease of complacency.

That is why I unhesitatingly name PETER HOWARD BARKER MAY, England and Surrey, as the outstanding man in world cricket.

May, born in Reading on December 31, 1929, reaches another milestone in his triumphant career when he sails for South Africa for the first time as an MCC captain on an overseas tour.

That he will be a success goes without saying. But I am beginning to wonder if we are not expecting too much from May. The captain, and May, the mainstay of our batting.

BRADMAN FIGURES May was 25 when he took over England's captaincy from Hutton. Soon the series with South Africa became a nightmare with injuries, illness, and loss of form, and England called on 25 players in five Tests.

But May still won the rubber, 3-2, and his batting average was 72.75, compared with Compton's 54.66 and Jackie McNamara's 52.88.

When Australia were beaten last season, May had the Bradman figure of 80.00. Nor were there any serious faults in May's captaincy which in these five-year-old days is the nearest one can get to a miracle.

At the age of 26, May has 31 Tests behind him, including ten as captain. An amazing record? It is, for here are the ages at which some of England's most eminent cricketers started their Test careers:

W. H. Hamer and 24, Sir Jack Hobbs, 24, Hedley Verity, 26, D. R. Jardine, 27, Maurice Leyland, 28, Maurice Tate, 20, Herbert Sutcliffe, 30, Eddie Paynter, 29, Patsy Hendren, 31, Dr W. G. Grace, 32.

WONDER BOY Now look at the famous captains during the war. A. E. R. Gilligan was 29 when he took over England's leadership. In his first series his

Cricket view

By ALEX BANNISTER



batting average was 25.66, and he took 17 wickets at 18.94.

A P. F. Chapman was 25, and his first Test produced scores of 49 and 19. A. W. Carr, 33, played in four Tests and batted once for a score of 13.

D. R. Jardine, 30, had scores of 38, 0 not out, 7 not out, and 28 not out against New Zealand. R. E. S. Wyatt, 31, had an average of 22.50 in his first full series as skipper. Wally Hammond, the professional turned amateur for the job, was 35. His average was 67.10.

I submit the evidence of these figures makes Peter a wonder boy. Remember, too, these are the days of five-day Tests, very few seasons in England. And they are played with never-ending intensity.

But while May bats with increasing glory for England, what of his performances with Surrey, whom he leads next season? In 1955 he topped their averages with 41.66. But last season he was behind Clark and Stewart with 32.48.

Does this mean even a May finds it impossible to serve his country and his county equally well? I suggest the lot of the star cricketer in England is becoming impossible.

JUST WHAT IS GOING TO BE DONE ABOUT IT?

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Royal H.K. Defence Force Orders

Serial No. 10. Orders by Brigadier L. T. Ride, CBE, ED, Commandant, Royal Hongkong Defence Force. Dated October 2, 1956.

FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Int. Platoon, Thursday October 5, 1956. Parade MFG 5.30 p.m. Dress: Muffi.
Berce Platoon, Thursday October 11, 1956. W/T. Bayonet Practice Observation & Reporting Parade MFG 5.30 p.m. Dress: OG Drift.

Light Troop, Monday October 9, 1956. Gun Drill Troop Parade MFG 5.15 p.m. Dress: Muffi. Parade MFG 5.30 p.m. Dress: OG Drift. Parade MFG 5.30 p.m. Dress: OG Drift. Parade MFG 5.30 p.m. Dress: OG Drift.

THE HONGKONG REGIMENT
Training—Week ending October 13, 1956. "A" Coy—No parade. "B" Coy—Parade MFG 5.30 p.m. Dress: OG Drift. "C" Coy—Parade MFG 5.30 p.m. Dress: OG Drift.

HOME GUARD
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Goalkeeper Switch
Lower Gornal, the Worcestershire Combination Club, ran into trouble at the start of the season. Nothing would go right, and they lost their first three games. In desperation they switched their team round, and this included playing goalkeeper Harry Wright at centre-forward. Lower Gornal beat Quarry Bank by 3-2, and Wright did the "hat trick".

SOME START
During the summer a team named Kingsley FC was formed, and in their first League match ever in the King's Norton Combination they beat Sturges FC by 1-0.

GOALS GALORE
In 19 matches in the opening week of the Hull (Church League) many as 140 goals were scored. There was one 14-0, one 13-0 and three others in double figures.

TO WORK WITH CHEVALIER WAS THE MOST ABSOLUTE JOY SAYS AUDREY HEPBURN

By RALPH COOPER

"My husband is a man—not a Svengali!" Audrey Hepburn rose to her feet, and with arms outstretched she faced me, eyes blazing. She was alarmed about the unchecked stories which have been giving her and her husband, American actor Mel Ferrer, a reputation for being difficult and uncooperative.

Mel, in particular, has been made out to be the big bad wolf dominating Audrey's career—to its detriment.

When I met Audrey in her dressing room at the Paris studios where she is making "Love in the Afternoon" with Gary Cooper and Maurice Chevalier, I asked her how far this "domination" was true.

"For a start," said Audrey, "we love each other—very much. It's as simple as that. And when you are in love it is natural to share things."

THEY WERE WRONG!

"When we got married people said Mel would ruin me, and they also said, though not so often, that I'd ruin Mel. Well, we've had time now to prove that one wrong for a start—and I've never been happier—or healthier—in my life."

Audrey looked it. Gone, with the hair style that swept the world, are the turtleneck and the strain that marked her during the year she first hit the headlines. Back with a feminine hair-do and a new air of assurance, she is the enchanting young girl of "Roman Holiday"—a little more mature perhaps, but she's the Audrey the world first fell in love with.

Which was why she shook me when I asked her why she'd changed her hair style. She replied: "A woman needs a change." It was the "woman" that came oddly from this elfin slip of a girl.

"It is natural that Mel and I should discuss things," Audrey went on, "and that includes careers. But Mel has been sensationally fair. If anyone reads him a script and suggests I might be interested, too, he has always written back, 'Please ask Audrey about it through her agent.'"

HOW IT STARTED

"He didn't read the script of this one because I didn't read it myself until I got to Paris to make the film. And I'd agreed to do it for Billy Wilder before I'd ever met Mel, when we were making 'Sabrina Fair'." Audrey paused. "I think I know when this talk of 'domina-

tion' really started. It was towards the end of 'my big year'—the year she won an Oscar for 'Roman Holiday,' the year of 'Gigi' and 'Online'."

"These awards are wonderful, but you have to be physically very strong to keep up with the publicity which goes with them on top of all the usual demands on your time."

"Mel and I had to appear at a big charity affair in New York. We had to ride round the arena on black horses. My doctor had told me to give up everything. We arrived, after two strenuous performances of our play, round about midnight to be greeted by a tremendous battery of cameras."

"They went on and on, and in the end I said 'Could that be enough, I must sit down before I get on that horse.' And that was the first time that Mel said: 'Stop! That's enough! He took me away, put me in a room, locked the door and stood guard outside.'"

NATURAL REACTION

"And," she added with determination, "he's done it plenty of times since. Surely it's a natural reaction for him to steer me through the crowds and look after me? It's the natural reaction of a man, and my husband is a man and not a Svengali!"

"If we led terrible lives, if Mel beat me, or if we came home drunk every night I could understand some of the stories that get around about us. But we don't. We live a normal life, according to the accepted codes. Perhaps that's what disappoints some people."

NIGHTLY CALL

Mel wasn't with Audrey in Paris. He's making a film in the South of France. "It's our longest separation," said Audrey, "but he rings me every night. He is the most wonderful, kind and considerate husband, and I'm very, very happy."

I asked Audrey about the other men in her life—the ones she is acting with just now. Inspired casting has given her Maurice Chevalier for a father, a private detective whose business shoots up every time American big business tycoon, Gary Cooper, arrives in Paris.

To work with Chevalier, she said, was an absolute joy. "His timing is so perfect. Comedy scenes go with a rhythm with him—and that is a talent that not all great actors and actresses possess. With him it is instinctive."

"When I told him how wonderful it was for me to be acting with him—do you know what that man said to me?" asked Audrey.

NO TRICKS

Chevalier, the international artist, once highest paid in the world, 118 recently, said to the star of two pictures: "Well, what about me? You don't know how much this means to me. For sixty years I have worked—for this. This is my big break. This part in this picture could be, for me, the beginning. If I could get two parts like this a year, as an actor—not as Chevalier—maybe I wouldn't have to work so hard on the stage and I find that thing."

"In this picture," said Maurice, "I work hard. I want so much to be good in it—with none of the old Chevalier tricks."

HIS TRIBUTE

"If he had said 'actors' tricks' it would have been remarkable," commented Audrey, "but to say he would throw away his own tricks, the ones he has been using, depending on all his life."

Chevalier's tribute to Audrey hangs on her dressing table. A first day of shooting telegram in which he says, quite simply: "How proud I would be, if I really had a daughter like you."

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1 Protect in a port

2 Men of this

3 Cathedral city

4 Geometrical man

5 Break in

6 Sounds like a rope

7 Man in a sack?

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EAST-WEST TOURISTS MEET IN HUNGARY

Government Plans To Attract Many Visitors

Budapest, Oct. 3.
Beautiful Lake Balaton, 60 miles southwest of Budapest, is developing into a European holiday centre where tourists from Communist and non-Communist countries can make each other's acquaintance.

The Government of the Hungarian People's Republic is making efforts, which appear to be having considerable success, to attract more visitors from the West, particularly those with currency to spend.

A special tourist exchange rate, roughly twice as favour-
able as the official rate, brings a holiday in Hungary well within the reach of ordinary holidaymakers from the West.

At the tourist rate, the visitor receives about 65 Hun-
garian forints for one pound sterling and about 23 forints 50 fillers for one United States dollar, exchangeable in cash or traveller's cheques. There are 100 fillers to one forint.

A first class hotel room with bath and all meal costs about 150 forints per day with minimum charges for full board and lodging being about 160 forints per day.

In most cases, it is no longer difficult for anyone to get a visa but it is advisable to make enquiries and to apply in good time to a Hungarian consulate abroad.

It is advisable also, in view of the shortage of accommoda-
tion for foreigners, to make re-
servations in advance through the Vienna office of the Hun-
garian State Travel Agency (HUSZ), the only branch so far
opened in Western Europe.

Travellers from the West have to pay through Vienna in any case.

An increasing number of bus
tours from the West, for in-
stance from Switzerland, Aus-
tria and the Netherlands, are
turning into Hungary. More
tourists in private cars are
crossing the frontier from
Austria with a minimum of
formality. There are regular
train and air services between
Vienna and Budapest.

Petrol costs only one forint
50 fillers per litre (6 forints 75
fillers per gallon), but filling
stations are few and far
between.

Good Roads

The main roads are mostly in
good condition because there is
very little domestic traffic in
Hungary apart from official cars,
buses, lorries and horse-drawn
vehicles. But the side roads are
no more than dirt tracks, hard
and bumpy in hot weather and
morgans of mud during the
rainy season.

At the Austrian-Hungarian
frontier post at Hegyesbalm
there are gay little flowerbeds
and a bar and waiting rooms.
In the flat fields are the re-
mains of earlier security mea-
sures—now reduced to little
fences of rusting barbed wire.
But a line of tall wooden sentry
towers can be seen extending
into the distance.

One soldier with a sub-
machine gun stands guard
beneath a roadside tree. Armed
soldiers in pairs occasionally
amble through the fields,
patrolling between one sentry
tower and another.

Slow Procedure

After the rather slow pro-
cedure of checking passports and
imports of currency, the road
lies open to Budapest through
villages which are unkempt—
much more so than in some
other parts of Hungary—but
many people were delightedly
at the passing tourists and the
children look radiant with
health.

The biggest tourist attraction
is lovely Lake Balaton, 60 miles
from Budapest, a holiday
paradise for swimming, sailing
and fishing.

Government Plans

One of the major difficulties
at the moment is that of find-
ing adequate accommodation for
the new influx of Western
visitors, making it advisable to
reserve rooms well in advance.
But the Government is planning
to make more and more hotels
available, especially round Lake
Balaton.

Many of the old hotels and
formerly private villas are
operated as rest centres by the
Hungarian trade unions, so it
looks as if some of the extra
accommodation will have to be
built.

Hungarian cooking has none
of its ancient reputation for
excellence. Hungarian wines—
such as the world renowned
Tokay, the "Bully Blood" of
Eger and the many fine vine-
yards of Balaton—have lost none
of their savour. Nor have other
national drinks such as the de-
licious Banick apricot brandy.

The famous Tzigane orchestra
of gypsy musicians have lost
none of their astounding virtu-
sity which, if encouraged
with a little wine, attains and
engenders a spirit of gaiety
perhaps unrivalled in the world.

Melodious Language

The Czardas, one of the
loveliest of Hungarian dances,
still makes even the most sober
of visitors want to try a whirl.

The Hungarian language,
which looks unappealingly tongue-
twisting when written, becomes
melodious when spoken or sung.

Although the language is not
so difficult as it looks on paper,
the visitor cannot hope to learn
much of it in a week or two.
But a good number of Hun-
garians understand German,
English or French and are only
too pleased to exercise their
knowledge.—China Mail Special.

Propaganda Rubber

Singapore, Oct. 3.
The Conservative Chinese
newspaper, Chung Shing Jit
Poh, said in an editorial today
that China was buying rubber
from Malaya to win the hearts
of overseas Chinese and not
because the Peking Government
needed rubber.

The newspaper said the
Chinese Government had spent
an "enormous" sum of money
to welcome the Malayan and
Singapore trade delegations "for
no other purpose than to ex-
pect them to become free pro-
pagandists following their return
to this country."—Reuter.

Paris, Oct. 3.
The Hungarian Workers
(Communist) Party has decided
to hold nationwide ceremonies
commemorating the death of
disgraced Foreign Minister
Lazlo Rajk and three co-
defendants executed in 1949, the
the Budapest radio reported
tonight.—France-Press.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

Six Canadian Mining Groups

Operating In Eire
OTHER COMPANIES APPLY
FOR EXPLORATION RIGHTS

Dublin, Oct. 3.

At least six Canadian mining groups are now operating in Eire, according to a statement by Mr Norton, the Eire Minister for Industry and Commerce, in which he gave an account of the operations carried out during the past year. Three of these groups have subsidiary Irish companies at work. They are:—

★ St Patrick's Copper Mines Ltd. This company took over control of the Avoca mines on October 1 last year and as a result of exploratory work has satisfied that arrangements for commercial production can be proceeded with.

Work is in progress on the construction of a 7,000-ft tunnel designed to open up the ore bodies for production. This tunnel is already over 1,000 ft long.

Preparatory Work

Preparatory work for the installation of the concentrator is in hand and the construction of offices, workshops and houses is under way.

The company has already spent over £500,000 on operations at Avoca and estimate that they will require to spend a further £1,750,000 during the next year or so to bring the mine into production.

★ Mining Corporation of Ireland Ltd. Exploratory work is being carried out at Beaufort, Co. Meath, where there are copper deposits, and Castleblayney, Co. Monaghan, where there are deposits of lead and zinc.

The company is to spend at least £35,000 in the next year on exploratory work. At Beaufort, the company is de-watering an old mine and conducting diamond drilling operations.

★ The Emerald Isle Mining Company Ltd. Exploratory work is being carried out at Allihies, Co. Cork, where there are copper deposits. The company is at present pumping water out of old workings and has provided assurances to the Minister that it has almost £100,000 available for exploratory work. At present it employs about fifty men.

Substantial Scale

The Minister also said that he hoped to conclude negotiations soon with another group who are prepared to spend at least £150,000 during the next year or so on exploratory work in four areas.

These areas are: Bonmahon, Co. Waterford, where copper was mined on a substantial scale in the last century; Rouring Water Bay near Skibbereen, Co. Cork, and Kennaree, Co. Kerry—in both of which there

are copper occurrences; and East Clare where there are occurrences of copper, lead and zinc.

The Minister said that the group had all these areas examined by highly-qualified geologists and mining engineers who were optimistic about the outcome of the exploratory work.

Mr Norton went on to say that he had received a proposal from another group who wanted to spend about £35,000 on preliminary examination of the mineral potentialities of counties Galway and Mayo. A number of applications for prospecting licences in respect of copper occurrences in the vicinity of Hollyford, Co. Tipperary had also been received and were under consideration in his Department.

The Minister said that there were other unworked mineral deposits in the country in respect of which he had not yet received proposals.

Freely Available

The Survey would make this information freely available to any interested person and would give all assistance in their power to any person or group who wished to formulate proposals for the exploration and development of unworked deposits.

Mr Norton also pointed out that his government gave special tax concessions in respect of new mining projects or new developments in areas where there were working mines.—China Mail Special.

BANK GAINS
INCREASE

New York, Oct. 3.

Gains in the net operating income of from 10 to 25 per cent have been shown in the third quarter, and the first nine months of this year. Contributing in a great measure to the gross income has been interest on loans affected both by the sharply higher money rates and by generally increased volume of credit in use.

Tight money and interest rates are an economic necessity, not a political issue, said the First National City Bank of New York in its October letter.

The Bank said rising interest rates were not an idea of the two political parties. The latter said there was no absolute shortage of funds but rather an increase in demand.—China Mail Special.

NEW YORK COFFEE
FUTURES

New York, Oct. 3.

The Santos "S" coffee futures contract today closed 1 to 25 points lower with sales of 17 contracts. Spot Santos 4s held unchanged while operators awaited new incentives and revival of roaster demand in the spot market. Future closings in cents per lb. were:

Dec.	56.75
Mar.	54.25
May	52.25
July	50.25
Sept.	48.25

London Wooltop
Market

London, Oct. 3.

The wool top futures market closed barely steady today with turnover of 20 lots. Prices in pence per lb. closed as follows:

Dec.	10.12
Mar.	10.12
May	10.12
July	10.12
Sept.	10.12

WORLD
RUBBER
MARKETS

New York, Oct. 3.

The No. 1 RSS rubber futures contract closed today 65 points higher with sales of 38 contracts.

Dec.	33.15
Mar.	31.15
May	29.15
July	27.15
Sept.	25.15
Nov.	23.15

Standard contract closed 5 to 110

points higher with sales of six contracts.

Dec.	33.00
Mar.	31.00
May	29.00
July	27.00
Sept.	25.00
Nov.	23.00

Concentrated buying by leading dealer interests and higher ruling of the London market were the reported influences boosting terminal market prices.

While consuming for the moment continued slow, traders counted on a pick-up in demand as the automobile industry introduces new 1957 models.

In the spot market, dealer interests buying futures also were credited buyers of moderate tonnage in the actual market.

Reported buyers included March one sheets at 31½ cents, December three sheets at 31½ cents, and January four sheets at 30½ cents a pound. Spot No. 1 RSS was quoted at 32½ cents.

SINGAPORE

The market ruled steady but quiet in the morning. Prices were higher as helped by high export figures.

There was some moderate interest for lower grades. Future:

No. 1 rubber per lb. Oct.	22½-23
Nov.	22½-23
Dec.	22½-23
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